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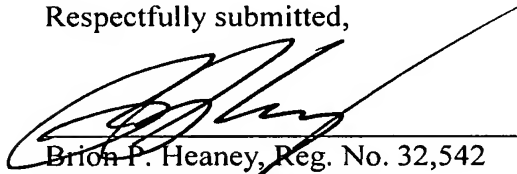
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In the Office Action issued February 26, 2003, the Examiner attached a form PTO-1449 indicating that four of the five cited references were considered. The fifth reference was crossed out with a note from the examiner stating that the reference was not considered for failure to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3)(i). This assertion was incorrect. The fifth reference, i.e., FR 2,405,451, while in a foreign language was submitted with a foreign Search Report, and the Information Disclosure Statement of December 11, 2002 provided an English translation of the relevant part of the Search Report that discussed FR 2,405,451. See page 1, "Additional Information" of the Information Disclosure Statement. Thus, the citation of the reference FR 2,405,451 did comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3)(i).

It is respectfully requested that an examiner-initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned to applicants.

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